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Take a trip to several beautiful castles. Here are some of Europe's most beautiful castles. Have a nice time!

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Château de Montbéliard

Château de Vitré

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Château de Châteaudun

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Château de Vincennes

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Château de Foix

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Tarascon Castle along the Rhône River

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Château des Rohan (Mutzig)

Mutzig's castle's history goes back to the fortification of the town in 1274 by Rudolph of Habsburg

Armand Gaston de Rohan

Chateau de La Petite Pierre

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Château de La Rochefoucauld

Château de Verteuil

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Château de Jumilhac

Its construction dates from the 15th, 16th and 17th centuries. The edifice is composed of the castle itself, constructed in the 15th century, and two wings added during the reign of Louis XIV.

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Château de Pau

The Château de Pau is a castle in the centre of the city of Pau, the capital of Pyrénées-Atlantiques and Béarn. It dominates that quarter of the city.
Henry IV of France and Navarre was born here on December 13, 1553 and it was once used by Napoleon as a holiday home during his period of power.

Château de Montaigne

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Bohus Fortress (also known as Baahus or Båhus, originally: Bágahús) lies along the old Norwegian–Swedish border in Kungälv, Bohuslän, Sweden, north east from Hisingen where the Göta river splits into two branches (20 km (12 mi) north of Gothenburg). It commands the surrounding area from a cliff 40 m (130 ft) high, with the river forming a natural moat around it.

Initial construction began in 1308 under King Haakon V Magnuson, king of Norway from 1299 to 1319

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Picture of model of Bohus Fortress, as it was before it was ceded to the Swedes

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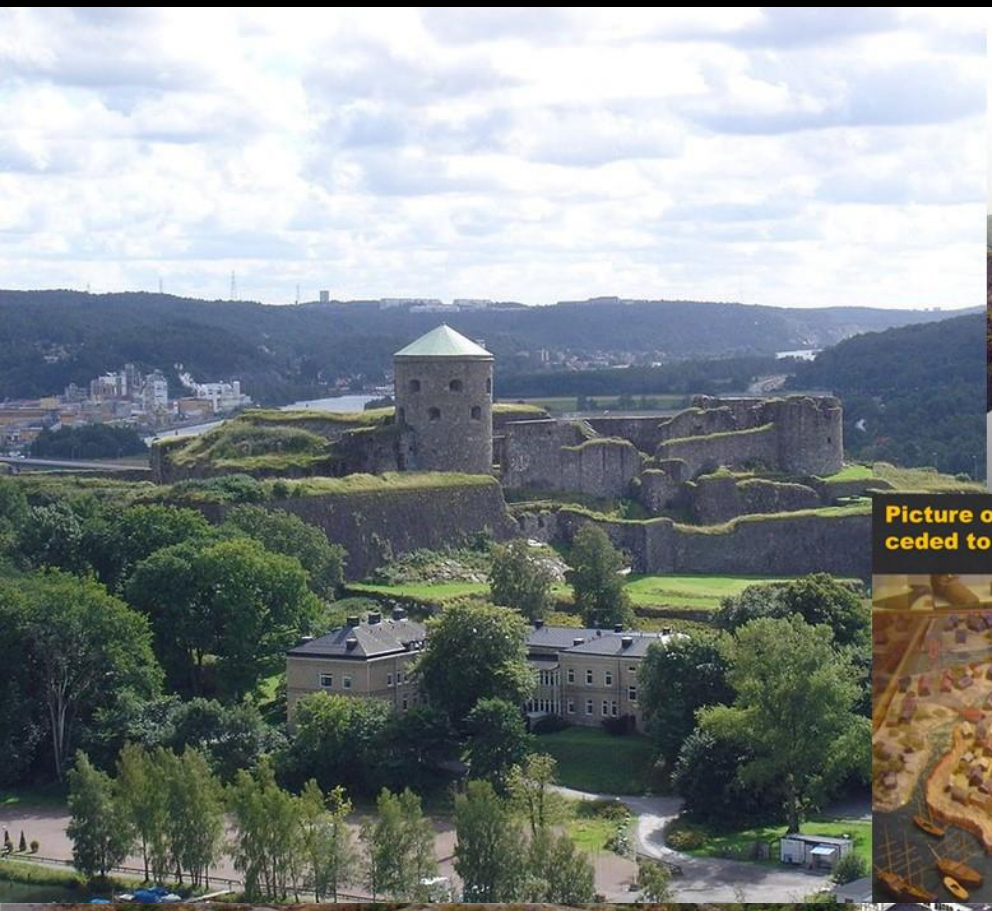

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Carlsten is a stone fortress located at Marstrand, on the western coast of Sweden. The fortress was built on the orders of King Carl X of Sweden following the Treaty of Roskilde, 1658 to protect the newly acquired province of Bohuslän from hostile attacks.

The site of Marstrand was chosen because of its location and its access to an ice free port. Initially a square stone tower was constructed, but by 1680 it was reconstructed and replaced by a round shaped tower. Successive additions to the fortress were carried out, by the inmates sentenced to hard labour, until 1860 when it was reported finished.

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Gåsevadholm Castle is a castle on an island in the Rolfsån river in Halland, Sweden. Sir John Maclean, 1st Baronet was the Lord of Gåsevadholm

Tjolöholm Castle (Swedish: Tjolöholms slott) is a country house, built 1898-1904, in Halland, Sweden. It is located on a peninsula in the Kungsbacka Fjord on the Kattegat coast. Tjolöholm Castle was designed by architect Lars Israel Wahlman, in a style inspired by Tudor architecture.

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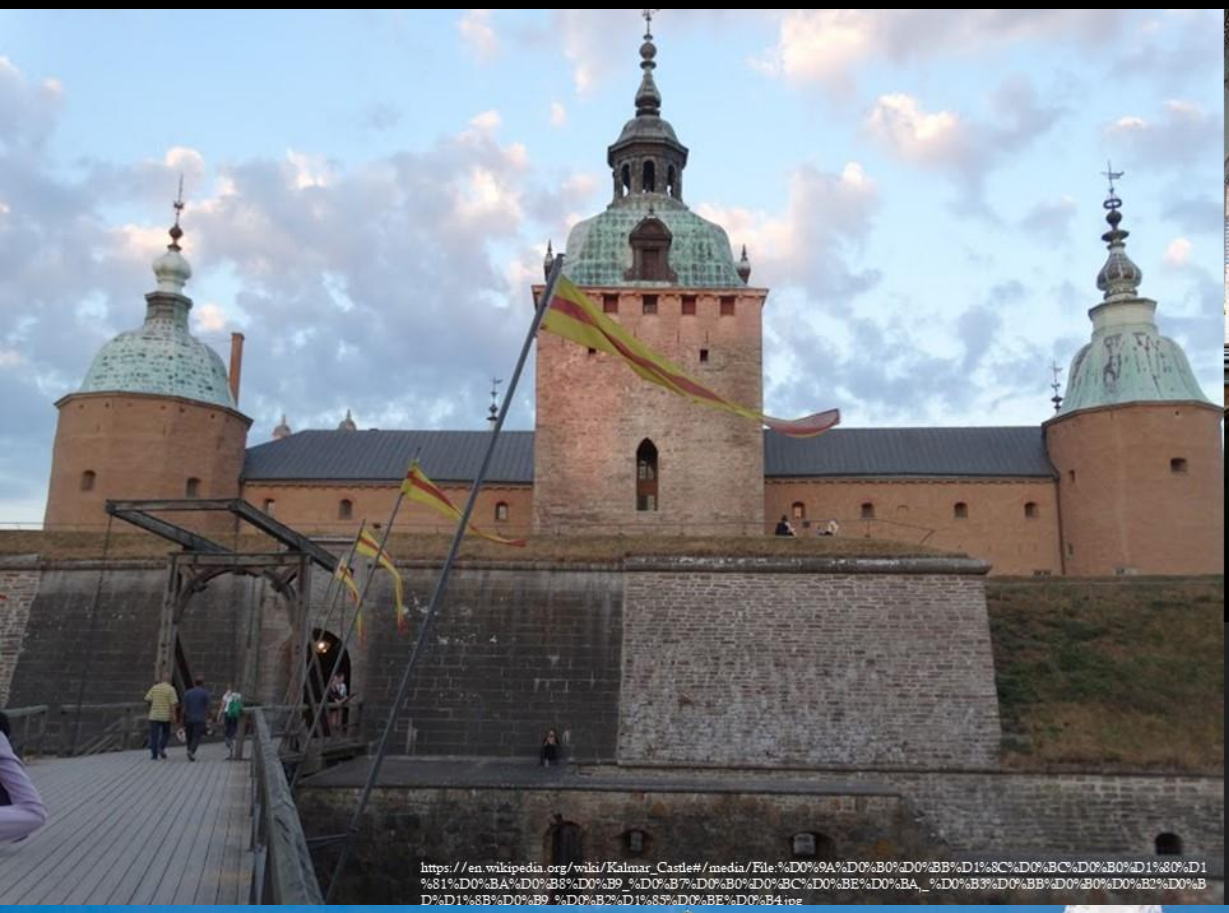

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The castle chapel.

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Stävlö Castle

Stävlö is one of the most eccentric Swedish buildings of the 19th century, and was designed by the owner Carl Otto Posse himself, who based the shape of the building on the Posse family coat of arms.

After he became owner of the estate in 1834, Posse had the original manor house knocked down for his new construction, which was completed in 1860.

Teleborgs Castle Sweden

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Katrineholm Castle Eriksberg

The estate were the current Ericsberg Castle is situated is mentioned under the name Pintorp or Pinnatorp in 1508, when the nobleman Knut Nilsson of Bosgård sold it to lady Anna Karlsdotter, widow after Erik Eriksson Gyllenstierna the Younger. Through Anna, the estate belonged to the Gyllenstierna family until 1733.

Gripsholm Castle

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Catherine Jagiellon and her son Sigismund in Gripsholm prison

Catherine Jagiellon (Polish: Katarzyna Jagiellonka; Swedish: Katarina Jagellonica, Lithuanian: Kotryna Jogailatė; 1 November 1526 – 16 September 1583) was a Polish princess and the wife of John III of Sweden. As such, she was Duchess of Finland (1562–83), Queen of Sweden (1569–83) and Grand Princess of Finland (1581–83).

On 4 October 1562, Catherine was married in the Lower Castle of Vilnius, Lithuania, to Duke John of Finland, the second son of Gustav I and half-brother of the then-reigning King Eric XIV.

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Ulriksdal Palace

Hedvig Eleonora had grand plans for the palace and renamed it in 1684 Ulriksdal in honor of its intended future owner, her grandson Prince Ulric. The prince, however, died at the age of one and Hedvig Eleonora kept the palace until her death in 1715 when the property was transferred to the crown for King Frederick I's disposal.

Built by architect Hans Jacob Kristler in 1643–1645 as a country retreat.

Kalmar Castle (Swedish: Kalmar slott) is a castle in the city Kalmar in the province of Småland in Sweden.

During the twelfth century a round defensive tower was built on Kalmarsund and a harbour constructed. At the end of the thirteenth century King Magnus Ladulås had a new fortress built with a curtain wall, round corner towers and two square gatehouses surrounding the original tower.

The castle chapel.

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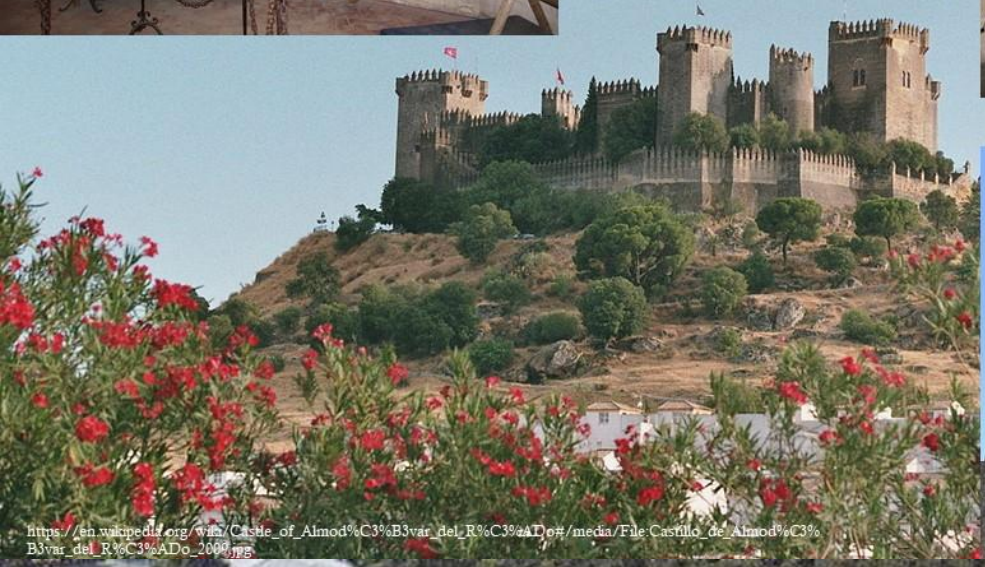

Castle of Almodóvar del Río

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Bellver Castle

is a Gothic-style castle on a hill 3 km to the west of the center of Palma on the Island of Majorca, Balearic Islands, Spain. It was built in the 14th century for King James II of Majorca, and is one of the few circular castles in Europe

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Castelldefels Castle

The fortress was first recorded in the 10th century, as was the former parish church of St. Mary, contained within its outer wall.

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Alcázar of Toledo

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Castle Eilean Donan Skottland

In the earlier thirteenth century, during the reign of Alexander II (ruled 1214–1249), a large curtain-wall castle (wall of enceinte) was constructed that enclosed much of the island.

Cochem Mosel

King Louis XIV's troops first burnt the Winneburg (castle) down and then conquered the town of Cochem with its castle. Reconstruction was long and drawn out. Beginning in 1794

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Castle Manzanares
Madrid

New Castle of Manzanares el Real

Its construction began in 1475 on a Romanesque-Mudéjar hermitage and today is one of the best preserved castles of the Community of Madrid. It was raised on the river Manzanares, as a residential palace of the House of Mendoza

Finland Nyslott

is a 15th-century three-tower castle located in Savonlinna, Finland. It is the northernmost medieval stone fortress still standing.

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Polen Castle Malbork

13th-century Teutonic castle and fortress located near the town of Malbork, Poland. It is the largest castle in the world measured by land area and a UNESCO World Heritage Site.

The castle was built by the Teutonic Order after the conquest of Old Prussia. Its main purpose was to strengthen their own control of the area following the Order's 1274

Mont St Michel

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Castle Villandry

The lands where an ancient fortress once stood were known as Columbine until the 17th century. They were acquired in the early 16th century by Jean Le Breton, France's Controller-General and was constructed around the original 14th-century keep where King Philip II of France once met Richard I of England to discuss peace.

Alhambra

Completed towards the end of Muslim rule of Spain by Yusuf I (1333–1353) and Muhammed V, Sultan of Granada (1353–1391)

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Castle Liechtenstein

The modern castle was inspired by the novel Lichtenstein (1826) by Wilhelm Hauff and was built in 1840–1842. The ruins of the medieval castle that inspired the novel are a few hundred meters away. The name Lichtenstein translates as "shining stone.

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Portugal Castle
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